Schemes for children exposed to risks

1483. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the programmes and schemes being run by her Ministry for the protection of children exposed to different kinds of risks; and

(b) the total amount of expenditure incurred by Governmnt under each of these schemes during 2003-04 to 2005-06, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing the following schemes for welfare of children:

(i) An Integrated Programme for Street Children;

(ii) A Programme for Juvenile Justice;

(iii) Scheme for the Welfare of Working Children in Need of Care and Protection;

(iv) Scheme for Assistance to Homes (Shishu Greh) for Children to Promote In-Country Adoption.

(b) The details of grant-in-aid released under these schemes are available on the Ministry's website www.wcd.nic.in

Universalisation of ICDS and Anganwadis

1484. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the steps taken for the universalisation of Integrated Child Development Scheme and anganwadis;

(b) whether any proposal is now under consideration for the quality improvement of the work of anganwadis and for ensuring better infrastructure facilities;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration for providing a minimum training to the workers and helpers of anganwadis and to improve their status and remuneration; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) In pursuance